

means that within the time mentioned these thousands of acres must pass into the hands of actual residents and owners of small tracts; this means a thickly settled country. These lands are now on the market and can be bought on easy terms and in tracts of from five to one hundred and sixty acres. In an irrigation country 40 acres makes a good farm; in fact that is about all one man can handle to a good advantage. There is no other place in the Pecos Valley where lands as good as these can be had at so small a price or on such reasonable terms. This is the only place in the Valley where a man of small means can secure for himself a home on irrigated land for so little money, and where the land can be made to pay the purchase price so quickly. Two crops of alfalfa will pay all expenses. What better can be asked?



Some Very Fine Pecos River Specimens

For many years the Pecos Valley country was occupied by stock ranches. Eddy county, which is 66 by 102 miles (consisting, except in the irrigated districts, of free government range still open to homesteaders), has some of the largest ranches in the world. Of late years irrigation has made possible farming and growing fruits and vegetables, the feed crops being alfalfa, kaffir corn and milo maize. Experiments prove that cotton can be raised successfully, producing from a half to a bale to the acre at this altitude, 3,121 feet. Owing to sunshine and altitude the boll weevil is unknown and impossible.

Fruits

This locality is famous for its peaches, pears, apples, grapes, plums and other fruits. It is believed that the finest peaches in the world for size, color, flavor and firmness are grown here, the firmness enabling them to be shipped long distances. Neither fruits or vegetables are ravaged by insects in this high, dry atmosphere. No codlin moth, no foot rot in Eddy county. All kinds of vegetables do well, especially celery and asparagus which spread like weeds along the irrigating ditches, sweet potatoes, cabbage, tomatoes, and the famous El Paso onion. Fruits and vegetables under irrigation net from \$100 to \$300 per acre—a fair average is \$250. Mr. F. G. Tracy sold \$2,070 net from four and a half acres in peaches. R. M. Love sold \$20 worth of peaches from a single tree. Seventeen trees brought him an average of \$9 per tree and nearly \$1,000 per acre.

Mr. G. W. Iden, who owns an orchard of about 16 acres, one quarter of a mile from Malaga, realized over fifteen hundred dollars from his fruit crop last year when apples were at a low price, and this year he has been offered two thousand dollars for the crop on the trees. This portion of the valley is the only part having a good fruit crop this

year, it has a good fruit crop every year. Investigation will show these statements to be true.

Alfalfa

Alfalfa is a very paying crop. Mr. Anderwerth, who lives about two miles from Malaga, has a piece of alfalfa sown last year from which the first cutting brought him nearly ten dollars per acre and he will cut three or four more crops as good or better this year. It is safe to say that alfalfa will pay from forty to fifty dollars per acre each year and that fruit will pay twice or three times as much.



Elberta Peaches in the Pecos Valley.

Oil

It is confidently believed that Carlsbad is near the center of the largest undeveloped oil field in America. Oil is found in the country rock, and many shallow wells are made worthless by its presence in the water. These indications are so widely distributed that it has been difficult to concentrate effort at any one point so as to make a satisfactory test to find the main supply. This must be done by outside capital. Large sulphur fields lie to the southwest. There are good prospects of copper and coal in that direction.

Health

This article would not be complete without saying something for the healthfulness of Malaga. The high, dry atmosphere is of special benefit to persons afflicted with consumption, asthma and bronchitis. Many people afflicted with these diseases have been permanently cured by a residence here. Children live out of doors in sunshine throughout the year. Wet feet from mud or dew are practically impossible. Malaria is unknown. How the little ones thrive and how resistant they become to every form of disease, under such conditions, is incredible to all who have not had personal experience of it.

The army and naval sanitarium are both situated in the territory for this reason, and the great fraternal orders have their hospitals here for the same cause.

Christian Homes.

We have the very best class of people representing every state in the Union. Excellent educational facilities, churches, Sunday Schools and Christian homes. In brief, we have as near the ideal home as can be found anywhere.

The young man of today whose father and grandfather followed the retreating savage into the forest of the mighty west, and accumulated a snug fortune of perhaps twenty or forty thousand dollars, may be just as earnest and steadfast in purpose, sober and industrious, but the opportunity is not to be found in the old and fully developed states—it has vanished. His forefather's success was due to the development of the country, and the natural advance in the price of land.

If he wishes to rise above a common livelihood he must seek a new country, and that opportunity we ask you to investigate today. The opportunity is here—will you accept it?

You know what the Santa Fe is. They are offering special rates, the first and third Tuesdays of each month, that are within the reach of all.

Come to the Pecos Valley

80 acres 1 mile of Carlsbad; all fenced; good house, barn; Tree using water. Under U. S. canal. \$3,500.

Corner in business part of Carlsbad. Two buildings. Goes at \$3,500.

Nice residence in north part of Carlsbad. A bargain at \$1,340.

40 acres unimproved land two miles of Carlsbad. \$20 per acre.

40 acres, 1 mile of Carlsbad. Small house, four rooms; shed and granary; well in yard; free water for five acres; some fruit trees. Fine for poultry and bees. \$1,000 gets this place in the next 60 days.

Who wants a three-eighths interest in the townsite, store and hotel at Orla, Reeves Co., Texas, on P. V. & N. E. Ry.

150 acres, a mile and a half of Carlsbad; three-quarter mile of river front above overflow. 60 acres alfalfa; 40 acres orchard; rest graded ready for planting. Soil rich sandy, 18 feet deep; good house and other buildings. Price \$15,000. \$5,000 cash, balance on time.

Fine irrigated ranch, 7 miles southeast of Carlsbad and four miles from Otis railroad station. It consists of 800 acres of patented land, the greater part of which is subject to irrigation. The land borders on the Pecos river, controlling a long river front and an immense free grass range, it being 20 miles east to the first water. About 150 acres of this has been cultivated, 40 acres of which are in alfalfa. Alfalfa, Indian and kaffir corn, milo maize, melons, and nearly all kinds of vegetables have been grown to perfection. Cotton does finely here and the boll weevil is unknown. The soil is a rich, sandy loam and being in the famous peach and apple belt of the Pecos valley, these and most delicious fruits compare favorably with those of California and even surpass them in flavor. Upwards of 300 fruit trees, selected varieties, have been planted. There are about four miles of fence, several ranch buildings, corral, corn crib, poultry house and yard and a well. The water is from the river which is fed by the famous Carlsbad springs. Four miles of main and several miles of lateral ditches have been completed. The owner of this ranch and water has an exceptionally favorable contract whereby he has the first right to the water from a steel and concrete dam without cost for maintenance of dam. The water goes with the land. There is some Government land which may be acquired, watered and controlled by the water rights which go with this property. This property is perfectly adapted to the growing of livestock upon a large scale or it can be divided into a number of small farms, giving owners the river on one side and free open range on the other. Pure free water, free grass, grain and alfalfa form a combination seldom found in these days. Price \$25,000.

Some ranch property in Texas cheap.

This is only a partial list. If you want to buy, sell or trade put it into our hands, but if you don't want to sell, buy or trade you had better not say anything to us for we are sure to get you a proposition.

HOLLOWAY LAND CO.

Carlsbad, New Mexico
Knowles, N. M. Orla, Texas
La Mesa, Texas.

NO HEARING GRANTED

Nothing Further Will Be Done in Regard to the Lease Law for the Present.

A recent Washington special to the St. Louis Republic says:

Speaker Cannon, in the House, and the controlling senators in the Senate have blocked, for the session at least, any legislation looking to the placing of the public range under Federal control. This is one of the reforms (?) proposed by President Roosevelt, but it is opposed by large cattle and sheep raising interests in the far western states. It was put up to Mr. Cannon and the senators that the adoption of such a law would cost the republicans several members of the senate and a corresponding batch of house members.

S. H. Cowan, attorney for the Texas cattlemen, who, unlike the far western people, favors the measure, was told that neither the house or senate committees on public lands would grant hearings upon it.

It has been decided that it will not pay to further stir up far

western opposition to the administration. President Roosevelt would place the public range used for cattle and sheep under a system of government regulations such as prevail in all forest reserves.

Marked for Death.

"Three years ago I was marked for death a grave-yard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Bac, Ky. The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 58 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at Eddy Drug Co. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Methodist Church.

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.
Epworth League, 7 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, at 7:15, p. m.
Choir practice Friday 7:15 p. m.
The pastor will be glad to meet and know all strangers coming to town, and will be delighted to look up all Methodists coming into town.

JOEL FRANK HEDGPETH,
Pastor.

Increasing Business.

Amarillo, Texas, Feb. 6, '08.
Editor Carlsbad Current,
Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

As a matter of information we take great pleasure in advising you that during the year 1907 the total movement of emigrant outfits in carloads handled by our line west of Higgins was 2334 cars, same being an increase of one hundred per cent over the previous year. Out of this number, 1301 cars were unloaded at our towns in New Mexico, this being an increase of 549 cars over the previous year.

These figures indicate a very healthy development and we hope that the percentage of increase will continue.

Yours truly,

D. L. Meyers.

A Stitch in Time

will save nine. So will a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup always kept on hand save many a spell of sickness. A sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis and Whooping Cough. Mrs. S. Hot Springs, Ark. writes: "I keep a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup in my medicine chest, and thank my forethought many times. It has prevented many severe spells of sickness." For sale by Eddy Drug Co.

Notice to Non-Resident Defendant.

In the District Court, Eddy County, New Mexico.
Janie Dodson, Plaintiff,
vs.
No. 888

Tom Dodson.
To Tom Dodson defendant in the above cause:

You will take notice that there has been filed against you a suit, by the above named plaintiff in the District Court for the Fifth Judicial District of the territory of New Mexico, within and for the county of Eddy, in which Janie Dodson is plaintiff and Tom Dodson defendant, and numbered 888 on the docket of said court.

You are further notified that the general object of said suit is to obtain a divorce from you, and the custody of the child, Carl Dodson, who was born to the plaintiff and defendant herein, the defendant, you being charged in the complaint filed in said cause with having abandoned the plaintiff and having failed to support her according to your means and station in life.

You are further notified that unless you appear in answer to this suit on or before the 14th day of March, 1908, judgment by default will be taken against you and the allegations in the plaintiff's complaint will be taken as confessed.

The names of plaintiff's attorneys are G. U. McCreary and Messrs. Bujac & Bros., and their business address is Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court on this 23rd day of January, 1908.
S. I. Roberts, Clerk.
104 By G. E. Benson, Deputy.